



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Department of Social and Health Services, Economic Services Administration

Subject of possible rule making:

The Division of Employment and Assistance Programs will amend WAC 388-478-0015, Need standards for cash assistance, to revise basic need standards based on the 2007 forecast.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 74.04.050; 74.04.055; 74.04.057; 74.04.770; and 74.08.090

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

This rule change is needed to adjust for anticipated changes in costs for basic needs. DSHS is required by RCW 74.04.770 to establish standards of need for cash assistance programs on an annual basis.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

None.

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe)

DSHS welcomes the public to take part in developing the rules. Anyone interested should contact the staff person identified below. At a later date, DSHS will file a proposal with the Office of the Code Reviser with a notice of proposed rule making. A copy of the proposal will be sent to everyone on the mailing list and to anyone who requests a copy.

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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